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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Raymond J. Bergeron, Jr. :  
Serial No.: : Group Art Unit:  
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For: METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR THE TREATMENT OF  
DIARRHEA AND GASTROINTESTINAL SPASMS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to an Examination on the merits, please cancel claims 8-14.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Page 4, second paragraph:

Disadvantages of anti-diarrheal medicaments, i.e., those referred to in professional papers rather than those medicaments of this type applied in practice, include their secondary strong effects such as antihypertensive effects (clonidine), growth factors (somatostatin), habituation and/or incomplete preclinical research (encephalin derivatives). The application of large doses of antibiotics and long administration thereof has not proved optimum in epidemical diarrhea localities. Where the diarrhea-inducing agent is cholera toxin, however, there does not exist any efficient protection, exception for inoculum which is not sufficiently potent either, and gives short-term protection only (3 months) and low efficiency (30-40%).